Petition P5-0006-0500, filed on behalf of New York cabbage producers.

Background:

On March 21, 2005, the *Federal Register* published notice that a group of cabbage producers in the state of New York had filed a petition for trade adjustment assistance.

The petition indicated that the marketing year impacted by imports was January - December 2003. The 5-year base period used for the purpose of a price comparison began January 1998.

The petition identified imports of fresh cabbages under Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS) number 0704.90.2000 as like or directly competitive with New York cabbages.

Analysis:

In their petition for assistance, the producers indicated that imports of lower priced cabbages produced in Canada adversely impacted the market for New York cabbages. However, based on official U.S. import data, fresh cabbage imports during 2003 totaled 38,881 short tons, down 22 percent from 2002 imports of 49,804 tons. Imports from Canada, the leading supplier, declined by 10 percent during the same period.

Reason for denial of petition:

Because imports did not increase during the marketing year, a required condition for trade adjustment assistance, the petition was denied. Notice was published in the *Federal Register* on March 21, 2005.